

MASTER OF ARTS EXAMINATION, 2017

(1st Year, 2nd Semester)

LINGUISTIC

Sociolinguistics

Course : VIII

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 30

Answer any *two* questions.

1. 'Language encodes 'Power and Solidarity' in the use of pronominal system.' Elaborate with examples. 10
2. "Women and men do not speak exactly in the same way in any speech community." Elaborate this with Suitable examples. 10
3. 'Economic status of the people is also reflected in the language structure' - Elaborate this observation with suitable examples from Labov. 10
4. Define dialect. Is standard Bengali is a dialect? What is the difference between standard and non- dialects? How does a dialect can be standardized one? Elaborate. 1 ½ + ½ + 4 + 4
5. What is linguistic relativity? What is the sociolinguistic theory developed on this view? Explain the approach with examples. 2 + 1 + 7
6. Define bilingualism. Describe the types of Bilingualism? Give your idea on the multilingualism in respect of bilingualism. 10
7. Short notes : (Any 4 ) 10  
Register, Sociology of Language and Sociolinguistics, Pidgin and Creole, Code-switching and mixing, Diglossia, Lingua Franca, Elaborated code, Language planning.